

WIRE MEN FINED FOR VIOLATIONS OF SHERMAN ACT

Thirty-seven Indicted Officials Appear in Court.

FORTY-SEVEN REMAIN

Other Members of Combine May Fight Their Cases.

Ferdinand Roebeling Heads the List with \$1,700 Payment-Nolo Contendere Pleas Entered-District Attorney Assured of Indicted Men's Presence-American Steel and Wire Company Refuses to Plead Guilty.

New York, July 25.—Thirty-seven of the eighty-four wire manufacturers and their employees who were indicted by the grand jury here on June 29 on the charge of combining in nine pools to the restraint of trade in the wire business entered pleas of nolo contendere before Judge Archbald, in the criminal branch of the United States Circuit Court to-day, and were fined \$1,000 each on the initial count and \$100 on every additional count in the indictments.

The total amount of the fines imposed is \$42,700, and of this sum \$21,000 was paid to Commissioner Shields before he closed his office for the night.

NEW PLEAS ENTERED.

In the case of most of the thirty-seven appearing before Judge Archbald to-day the nolo contendere was entered to supplant the original plea of not guilty already made; for a few the nolo contendere was the initial plea.

District Attorney Wise has heard from the lawyers representing several other indicted wire men that they will come into court Thursday and enter the plea of nolo contendere.

Those who pleaded to-day and were sentenced to be fined, some of them on as high as six and eight convictions, represented the following companies, alleged by the government to have participated in the nine pooling associations: Lead Incoated Rubber Cable Association, Fine Magnet Wire Association, Rubber Covered Wire Association, Wire Rope Association, Waterproof and Magnet Wire Association, Underground Power Cable Association, Telephone Cable Association, Horse Manufacturers' Association, and Bare Copper Wire Association.

Steel Subsidiary Will Fight.

The American Steel and Wire Company, one of the largest subsidiaries of the United States Steel Corporation, intimated to District Attorney Wise, so he said, that they were going to fight their case. Since none of the officers of that company listed in the indictments were in the jurisdiction of the court here, Wise was preparing to go out and get them, when a few days ago the American Steel and Wire Company's lawyers asked him to desist, saying the indicted men would come voluntarily to the court in New York.

Roebeling Gets Largest Fine.

Ferdinand Roebeling, of John A. Roebeling's Sons, who was indicted as a member of each of the nine pooling associations, except the telephone manufacturers, topped the list of fine-payers to-day with \$1,700.

Judge Archbald held that he regarded the acceptance of the plea of nolo contendere as fulfilling all necessities for the vindication of the law in this case. He then fixed the fine at \$1,000, and \$100 for each additional count.

BALTIMORE GIRL MAY WED GOODWIN

Wife Number Five May Be Taken by "Marrying Nat."

Los Angeles, Cal., July 25.—While Nat C. Goodwin is giving an excellent imitation of a sphinx, the story is circulating among his friends at Santa Monica, where he has a beach home, that Miss Marjorie Moreland, of Baltimore, one of his guests up to two weeks ago, is to become Mrs. Goodwin No. 5. She has starred with William Faversham, and last season was Goodwin's leading woman in "Land Me Five Shillings."

She was called to Baltimore a few days ago because of the sudden death of her father. Goodwin, it is said, hopes to found a Bohemian colony on his California ranch near San Jacinto.

MIDDIES ARE FOUND.

Searching Party Discovers Long-lost Men in Station.

Christiana, Norway, July 25.—The searching party who were looking for missing men, Gaston L. Holmes, and Charles L. Clifford, who disappeared Thursday from the American practice squadron, found their men to-day at the Fina railway station.

They had become separated from their comrades at Bergen, where they dropped out from a midshipmen battalion of about 600 members while on an excursion party.

AMERICAN NAVY READY TO ACT IN HAITIAN CASE

Situation Compels Cabinet to Issue Instructions.

GUNBOATS ON PATROL

Germany Also Sends Cruiser to Haiti.

Foreign Governments Said to Approve of Propagation to Prevent Blockade and Bombardment of Unfortified Towns—American Interests Will Be Fully Protected. Rioting Is Expected.

The situation in Haiti has become serious enough to compel action by the President and his Cabinet. American war ships have been instructed to prevent President Simon from carrying out his threatened programme of blockading and bombarding the unfortified ports of the islands. President Simon has maintained such a defiant attitude in the face of protests from this government that force may be necessary to bring him to terms.

APPROVED BY FOREIGN POWERS.

The policy of the State Department to prevent attacks upon these towns is known to have the approval of the foreign governments interested, and it is not expected that any of them, except possibly Germany, will take any part in the affair unless the situation becomes much more serious. Germany is reported to have ordered the cruiser Bremer from Northern American waters to Haiti because of the situation. The State Department has not yet been officially apprised of this action. It is pointed out that the Bremer belongs to the West Indian German station, and she has been on a summer cruise north.

With the arrival of the cruiser Des Moines and Chester a cordon of American war ships has now been thrown around the Haitian coast, and it is thought that this alone guarantees the safety of foreigners, particularly Americans and their interests. The Chester arrived Monday at Cape Haitien and the Des Moines arrived yesterday at Port au Prince, they having made a swift dash down the Atlantic coast from Newport and Boston, respectively. The Petrel awaited the arrival of the Des Moines at Port au Prince and she will now proceed to Gonaives. The Petrel left Cape Haitien Monday for Fort Liberté.

Cabinet Took Action.

The government's instructions for such naval action as may be necessary were wired to Commander Oman, of the Des Moines, after the situation had been laid before the President at the Cabinet meeting. Commander Oman, as the senior naval officer, was authorized to assume charge at once of the naval forces and distribute them as he saw best. He will act independently after conferring with the American Minister as to the situation at the various places. Commander Decker, of the Chester, reported, before the arrival of the Des Moines, that the situation at Cape Haitien would seem to warrant his holding that cruiser at that port.

Apprehensive Concerning Situation.

While ample protection to American interests appears now to be guaranteed, the State Department is apprehensive concerning the situation as a whole, since private advices conveyed to the department through American firms having interests there indicate that serious rioting resulting in destruction of property and possibly life may shortly follow if peace is not restored.

Boutell Denies He Wrote Letter to Hines

New York, July 25.—Edward Hines testified in the Lorimer investigation at Washington yesterday that a fragment of a letter which he produced was in the handwriting of H. S. Boutell, former member of Congress, and at present United States Minister to Switzerland. It read as follows: "I should like to have the Senator (meaning Lorimer) know who was the only man in Washington who went to the President in his behalf and brought off the goods."

This statement was communicated by cable to Minister Boutell, and the following from him was received to-day: "I never heard President Taft speak of the situation but once, when he expressed no preference or objection to the numerous candidates mentioned, but hoped the Republican caucus would decide on a candidate and elect at once. This view was known to all, and I never wrote any one on the subject."

Steinhell's Daughter Marries.

Paris, July 25.—Miss Marthe Steinhell, daughter of the heroine of the tragedy of three years ago, was married to-day to Raphael del Perle, a Russian artist.

Miss Gould Entertains Italians.

Tarrytown, N. Y., July 25.—Miss Helen M. Gould entertained 60 Italian mothers and their children to-day on her playground near Glenville.



GERMANY'S INTEREST IN HAITI.

Germany's concern in sending a war ship to Haiti revives a story which is now being investigated by government officials. Gen. Leconte, when minister of finance in Haiti in 1902, is said to have entered into an agreement with German bankers to borrow \$300,000, with the understanding that if he became President this sum, plus 50 per cent, was to be converted into a Haitian loan at 18 per cent interest per annum, and that Germany should have a coaling station at Mole St. Nicholas and that Haiti should not allow any commercial privileges to the United States of America "which would interfere with German trade."

INSANE HINDOO AMUCK; EIGHT WOUNDED IN STREET

Maniac Coolie Fires Shots from Repeating Rifle Into Crowds in Front of Chicago Theater.

Chicago, July 25.—Eight persons were wounded at Clark and Washington streets this afternoon by an insane Hindoo, who, with two boxes of rifle cartridges in his hand, started out to kill 40,000 persons in the loop. Standing in front of the Chicago Opera House, the man turned slowly in a circle, shooting bullets into the crowds. Mounted Policemen Bernard Mallory and Patrolman M. J. Hynes risked their lives at the muzzle of the maniac's rifle to grapple with him. He fought ferociously. At the station house he said his name was M. Hussain and that he was twenty-five years old. In his pocket were rambling, incoherent letters addressed to President Taft and the British consulate at Chicago.

PRESIDENT TAFT WINS OUT IN NEBRASKA CONVENTION

Lincoln, Neb., July 25.—What promised to be a big fight between the progressive and regular factions of the Republican party in Nebraska did not develop at the State convention held here to-day. The regulars, or Taft men, were in control of the convention by more than two to one.

SNOW FALLS IN OTTAWA.

Ottawa, Ontario, July 25.—The Western cold wave struck Ottawa to-day and at 2 o'clock this afternoon there was a slight snowfall. The low temperatures broke all July records. At the government observatory the official observer said: "Never in the history of the observatory has snow been known to fall here in July."

BALFOUR APPEALS TO "LAST DITCHERS"

London, July 25.—Mr. Balfour, leader of the opposition in the House of Commons, has made an urgent appeal to those who are standing in the "last ditch" to "come to heel" and save the party from disruption. He has issued a letter supporting the Marquis of Lansdowne and pleading with the peers to do likewise. Mr. Balfour condemns the useless talk of fighting to the last.

CONFESSION AIDS POLICE IN CASE AGAINST BEATTIE

Beulah Binford Tells of Plan to Desert Wife.

COUSIN AND WIFE TALK

Prosecution Claims Much Evidence Against Defendant.

Affidavit Tells of Plot to Run Away with Husband of Sister Woman. Authorities Plan to Force Entire Life Story from Girl-Diary Found with Tender Notes to "Henry." Stranger Visits Jail Cell.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Richmond, Va., July 25.—Beulah Binford, the young girl with whom Henry Clay Beattie, jr., was infatuated, is said to have confessed to-day that the banker's son promised her last Tuesday night that he would elope with her.

It was on Tuesday night that Mrs. Beattie was mysteriously shot to death while riding with her husband in his automobile on the Midlothian turnpike.

Statements made to-night by the police and Prosecutor Wendenburg indicate that they have now enough evidence in hand to make them sure of this new evidence is believed to be the girl's confession.

GIRL'S CONFESSION.

In her confession Miss Binford is alleged to have declared that Beattie said to her last Tuesday: "I have got to live with Louise so long as the old man lives, but when he dies—say, kid, we will go away from here together, and while we may not be able to get married, we will take a vacation. The 'old man' referred to by Beattie in his alleged declaration is believed to be Mrs. Beattie's father, R. V. Owen, of Dover, Del., who is wealthy. Mr. Owen is here to aid in the prosecution of Beattie.

To-day's developments have convinced the authorities that Beulah Binford still has much to tell of her relations with Beattie, and it is proposed to-night to transfer her to another jail and place her in solitary confinement in the hope that she will break down and reveal the secrets of her past.

For almost an hour this morning Prosecutor Wendenburg and Detective Scherer were in conference with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Beattie at the jail. Mr. Scherer came away wearing a smile.

Stranger Visits Jail Cell.

A stranger was taken to the jail this afternoon by detectives, and after confronting Henry Clay Beattie and his cousin, Paul Beattie, the detectives gave out a statement to the effect that "what the stranger says fits in with the theory that Beattie killed his wife."

It is thought that the stranger is the man who said he saw Beattie and his wife standing in the road previous to the murder.

One of Beulah Binford's diaries was found to-day. Its pages are full of scraps of sentimental thoughts addressed to "Henry, Dear Kid," and the last page contains a list of furniture selected to go to housekeeping, "when," she says in a note to Henry Beattie, "you may visit me without any one knowing anything about it."

The defense has a score of men working gathering everything possible to strengthen the defense of the young man accused of the murder of his wife. In the meantime, Beattie is as calm as the case with any one but his new wife.

Her Time for Repentance. Beulah Binford spent the day playing "jacks" with all the glee of a child. When reporters called to see her in the cell she talked freely and laughed at the idea that she loved Beattie better than half a dozen other men. She said she ran away from school at Alexandria with another girl from Washington, who has since married. She told of visiting Chicago, Nashville, and dozens of other cities, stating that she never had a chance to be a good girl.

"When other girls were being watched by their brothers, mothers, and fathers, I was allowed to do just as I pleased. My mother thought she was letting me enjoy myself. She let me stay out late whenever I wanted to and hardly ever asked me where I had been. I was only thirteen years of age and didn't know that from wrong, but I didn't think of the future."

"I am thinking of it now, all right, and it seems pretty blue to me."

HOUSE CAUCUS VOTES TO REDUCE COTTON DUTIES

Also Plans for Adjournment About August 15.

WILL DEPEND ON SENATE

Members Will Stay if Tariff Revision Is Possible.

In the Senate It Is Said Quorum Cannot Be Maintained After Vote on Statehood Bill, August 5—No Serious Opposition to Schedule Proposed by Chairman Underwood. Appealed to the Speaker.

The Democrats of the House, in caucus assembled, yesterday approved the Underwood cotton schedule bill, which reduces the duties on cotton goods about 50 per cent, and then discussed adjournment. The probability is that Congress will adjourn about August 15. It is said in the Senate that a quorum cannot be maintained in that body after the vote on the Statehood bill on August 5.

ADOPT COTTON SCHEDULE.

The cotton schedule was adopted with only a few scattering negatives yesterday after Mr. Underwood had explained that the new rates would reduce the revenues about \$2,000,000, and after all amendments had been voted down.

Representative Webb, of North Carolina, who has 110 cotton mills in his district, made the principal fight against the bill. He offered a resolution proposing to postpone action on the cotton bill until the Ways and Means Committee should present a bill reducing the duty on dyes and dye stuffs, iron and steel articles, brick, sugar, meats and flour. He expressed the opinion that inasmuch as it was proposed to impose a bill so largely reducing the duties on manufacturers of cotton, in which few and other districts were so infinitely concerned, that at the same time there should be provision for legislation which, along another line, should reduce the burden on the manufacturer. His resolution was voted down overwhelmingly.

Appealed to the Speaker.

Mr. Webb, after his resolution had been frowned upon unofficially, induced Speaker Clark to stand for it in a modified form. His second proposition was to approve and pass the cotton bill, and then have the House proceed with the revision of the schedule concerning the other articles in his list. Mr. Clark got up and made a speech in favor of this proposition.

"What do you think about it, Oscar?" yelled a bunch of Democrats to the feet and sat down hard on Mr. Webb's resolution. He characterized it as "frivolous, inasmuch as it proposed to keep the House in session without any good reason. When he got through, his colleagues turned down Speaker Clark and Mr. Webb by a good-sized majority.

Representative Sisson, of Mississippi, offered a resolution instructing the

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RAILROAD BLAMED FOR FATAL WRECK

Coroner Finds Accident Due to Company's Neglect.

Bridgport, Conn., July 25.—Coroner Clifford B. Wilson made public to-night his verdict in the secret inquest he has been conducting into the wreck of the Federal Express on the New Haven road on July 11, when fourteen persons were killed and over thirty injured.

The coroner's report says: "I find the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company criminally negligent for maintaining dangerous and short crossovers on fast express trunk line tracks and for relying upon a rule regarding the use of the tracks as fast trains over this location."

"The longer and more gradual crossover, with its accompanying diminution in degree of the angle, would have eliminated the danger."

NONSMOKERS GET RIGHT TO EXIST

Incorporation Accomplished on Third Attempt.

New York, July 25.—The Nonsmokers Protective League of America, which is headed by Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, of Washington; Chancellor Day, of Syracuse, and others, was incorporated to-day on its third attempt, the certificate in proper form at last being approved by Supreme Court Justice Glenshaw.

The league proposes to prevent smoking in public resorts or conveyances not set apart for the purpose.

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